

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 1998-277-C - ORDER NO. 2005-262  
MAY 20, 2005

IN RE: Application of EZ Talk Communications, LLC    ) ORDER CANCELLING  
for a Certificate of Public Convenience and        ) CERTIFICATE  
Necessity to Provide Local Exchange                )  
Telecommunications Services in the State of        )  
South Carolina.                                        )

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the request to cancel the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity of EZ Talk Communications, LLC (“EZ Talk” or the “Company”) to provide local exchange telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina. A review of the docket file reveals that the Commission granted EZ Talk authority to operate as a local exchange telecommunications services provider by Order No. 98-787, dated October 12, 1998.

On May 11, 2005, EZ Talk, through counsel for the Company’s Chapter 7 Trustee (“counsel”), Ronald R. Peterson (“Mr. Peterson”), notified the Commission that EZ Talk filed a voluntary petition under Title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois on January 8, 2004. According to Mr. Peterson’s counsel, EZ Talk ceased operations in early 2004 and does not wish to continue to do business in South Carolina. Counsel states that EZ Talk has no customers in South Carolina and requests that EZ Talk’s Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be cancelled.

In furtherance of EZ Talk's request for cancellation, copies of documents from the United States Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District of Illinois authenticating the Company's bankruptcy case and Mr. Peterson's authority as Chapter 7 Trustee are attached to the Company's request.

As EZ Talk is no longer providing the services for which the Company's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was granted, the Commission finds and concludes that EZ Talk's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide local exchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina should be cancelled.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide local exchange telecommunications services in South Carolina authorized by Order No. 98-787, dated October 12, 1998, issued in the instant docket to EZ Talk Communications, LLC is hereby cancelled.
2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

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/s/  
Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

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/s/  
G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman  
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